## Atty. Ref. 3279-Z IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Richard J. Feldmann

Art Unit 2857

Application No. 10/609,383

Examiner John S. Brusca

Filed: July 1, 2003

For: Modifying the control of gene expression behavior by the deletion of connectrons and by the design and addition of synthetic connectrons in prokaryotic, archea and eukaryotic genomes

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## **AMENDMENT**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed March 22, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows: